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## **Abstract**

Please amend the abstract as follows:

The invention relates to a  $\underline{A}$  method and a briquetting press for briquetting metal chips, wherein  $\underline{A}$  method and a briquettes pressed components are produced. The actual length ( $\underline{L}_{act}$ ) of the pressed component is obtained by applying pressure ( $\underline{P}_{max}/\underline{P}_{req}$ ) using at least one pressing ram (1, 2) and measuring the length with a measuring device (5, 6). The measured value is compared to a desired nominal value ( $\underline{L}_{nom}$ ) and a difference value ( $\underline{\square}$ ) is subsequently determined.

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